



SSPD Newsletter

SSPD ANNUAL MEETING
The Ritz-Carlton Grande Lakes Hotel
Orlando, Florida
August 29th - September 1st



The Labor Day Weekend annual meeting will feature Dr. George Brown of Byran, Ohio, Dr. Larry Zimmerman of Cincinnati, Ohio and Dr. Howard Schneider of Jacksonville, Florida. Drs Brown and Zimmerman have retired after very distinguished clinical careers and will present during the “Levitas Lecture” on Friday afternoon. Their presentations will be “Two careers in Two hours.” Based on clinical results and commitment to continuing dental education, Drs. Brown and Zimmerman reached a status only a few clinicians ever reach.

On Saturday morning, Dr. Howard Schneider will lecture on “Infant Oral Care.” Dr. Schneider has been doing infant oral care during all five decades of his professional life. Dr. Schneider is a SSPD Past-President, Newsletter Editor and New Editor-in-Chief of the Journal. Dr. Schneider is a legend. The old timers in the group know that Dr. Schneider has restored more teeth than anyone in the history of the SSPD. His practice is focused mostly on the very young patient.

Six mini lectures will be presented on “What I know for sure”, by Drs. Phil Miller, David Crossley, Mark Meyer, Jonathan Jackson, Rhea Haugseth and Jim Nyland. This string of pearls will be approximately 10 minutes each.

Registration forms coming out soon!!

February 25, 2008

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Registration fees

Member \$575
Non-Member \$675
Spouse or Staff \$295
Children 12 and under half price

Fees Include: Welcome Reception,
 President’s Banquet,
 Member’s Breakfast
 Farewell Brunch

Program

August 29th

Friday afternoon: Levitas Lecture. Dr. George Brown and Dr. Larry Zimmerman

Friday evening: Welcome Reception

August 30th

Saturday morning: Dr. Howard Schneider

String of Pearls Dr. Phil Miller, Dr. David Crossley,

Dr. Mark Meyer, Dr. Jonathan Jackson, Dr. Rhea Haugseth and Dr. Jim Nyland

Saturday evening: President’s Reception and Banquet

August 31st

Sunday morning: Members Breakfast

Sunday morning Annual Business Meeting

Sunday afternoon Golf and Tennis Outings & Spa Specials

September 1st

Monday morning Farewell Brunch



The President's Message

Dr. David Crossley, DDS
Morristown, Tennessee

Wow, it seems like just yesterday we were meeting in Charleston and now we are just months away from Orlando. Get your warm weather attire ready!

For those of you unable to attend, our continuing education course in Atlanta with Dr. David Sarver, it was a tremendous success. Attendance was high and those there enjoyed learning about new trends in orthodontics. As always there was a chance to meet and greet friends and colleagues during the breaks. Kudos to Jim Nyland for the arrangements of an outstanding program. Thanks also to Allen Rosenthal and Jonathan Jackson for all they do each year to make the local arrangements at the Ritz such a pleasure. They do so much work behind the scenes!

Work is progressing for the Annual Meeting in Orlando. Ted Levitas and I have been in communication to hopefully make this a fun and enjoyable time together. Jim Nyland has arranged some quality continuing education. Randy Adams will be heading up a golf tournament and Kim Jones will be heading up a tennis tournament. Come prepared to be competitive.

Howard Schneider has assumed the position of Managing Editor and Head of the Editorial board for the Journal. He is excited about the possibilities of future editions of the Journal. If you have any suggestions for articles and/or would like to encourage him in this endeavor please call or e-mail him soon.

Frank and Kim continue to do great things at the home office. We need to be much in debt for the hours they spend behind the scenes keeping our organization going. Thanks also to a great Board of Directors who have great opinions on the best interests for this group. Thanks for allowing me the privilege of serving as president.

In closing please consider a few pictures to entice you to make plans for Orlando....



ANNUAL MEETING

Friday August 29th - Monday September 1st

Our course will be held at the elegant Ritz Carlton Grande Lakes Hotel, in Orlando. The Ritz Carlton offers a commanding presence on 500 acres in central Florida's prestigious Grande Lakes Orlando area, convenient to the Bee Line Expressway and Interstate 4.

- Five minutes from Sea World
- Five minutes from Discovery Cove
- Five minutes from the Orlando/Orange County Covention Center
- 10 minutes from Universal Orlando
- 15 minutes from Walt Disney World
- 15 minutes from Orlando International Airport

ROOM RATES
Single or Doubles
\$189 per night



HOTEL INFORMATION & RESERVATIONS

The Ritz-Carlton Grande Lakes
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Orlando, Florida 32837

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In house please call.....1-800-576-5760

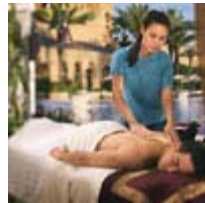
Central Reservations.....1-800-241-3333

Cut-off date Wednesday, July 30th, 2008

For Golf - please call 407-393-4900

For Spa Services- please call 407-393-4200





2008 ANNUAL MEETING

Ritz - Carlton Orlando, Grande Lakes ... Aug. 29 - Sept. 1

Luxury is the byword, as befits Ritz-Carlton Orlando, Grande Lakes - with

architecture and décor inspired by the grand palazzos of Italy - surrounded by stunning ornamental flower gardens, pools and lakes. Ritz-Carlton Orlando, Grande

Lakes is situated on 500 of Central Florida's most coveted acres at the headwater of the Everglades.

40,000 sq.ft. World Class Spa - 40 private treatment rooms, 6,000 sq.ft

Wellness Center - 4,000 sq.ft. private swimming pool, full Salon, Spa Café

- 18 hole Greg Norman signature golf course featuring The Ritz-Carlton Golf Caddie Concierge Program, Golf Shop, Fairways Pub
- Three lighted tennis courts, Water activities, Jogging trail, Board games, Volleyball courts, Falconry, Boce Ball
- * Fabulous Ritz Kids Program for 5 - 12 year featuring full or half-days with Pool games, arts and crafts, computer, board games, Video Game Challenges Obstacle Courses, Relay Races, Surry bike rides, karaoke and dance parties.
- Grandlake Outfitters Orvis Fly Fishing school, Private guided Eco-Tours on Shingle Creek - the headwater to the Florida Everglades.
- Eleven Dining options available on the property
- R-C Activities: Butterfly Garden, Nature Walk, Fish Feeding, Lady Bug Release, Art Tour
- Complimentary transportation to and from Sea World, Universal Orlando and Wet'n Wild Waterpark.
- * The Ritz-Carlton Orlando, Grande Lakes is located just 10 miles from the airport and 10 miles from Walt Disney World.

Remember ... you can come Early (3 days before) and / or stay Late (3 days after)

at the same "Grande" SSPD rates!

CE Report

January 2008 CE

(Mission Accomplished)

Jim Nyland

Thanks to Dr. David Sarver for a great CE Weekend. A lot of Dr. Sarver's information was new to the attendees. The excitement level stayed high throughout the weekend. The energy in the lecture hall and in the exhibit area was as special enough that I would rank this event at the very upper level of our winter CE gatherings.

The attendance was great. Among our 160 attendees were 36 residents. All residents attended this event at no charge. This benefit to pedo and ortho residents reflects the SSPD's strong charge to educate our young colleagues throughout all of dentistry.

It made my weekend seeing all four pediatric dentistry residents from MUSC in Charleston still present as Dr. Sarver ended this lecture.

Upcoming January 2009 Winter Course
(January 9-11, 2009)

Considerations of Temporomandibular Disorders
in Children and Adults

Speakers

Jeffery P. Okeson, DMD

Professor and Director, Orofacial Pain Center
University of Kentucky College of Dentistry
Lexington, Kentucky

&

Henry Gremillion, DDS, MAGD

Professor and Director, Parker Facial Pain Center
University of Florida College of Dentistry
Gainesville, Florida

Most TMD symptoms are reported in adults but young adolescents and children can sometimes present to the dental office with these symptoms. The management of temporomandibular disorders is sometimes a complex problem in dentistry. This complexity arises from the many different disorders that can be present as orofacial pain in the masticatory structures. In order to effectively manage TM disorders the clinician must first be able to differentiate these disorders from other orofacial pain conditions. Once a proper diagnosis is established the clinician can send them select the appropriate therapy that will best resolve the disorder.

Drs. Okeson and Gremillion have developed a sound and straightforward approach to understanding and treating any masticatory pain problems. Treatment based on sound scientific principles will be presented. Emphasis will be placed on diagnosis so that correct therapy will be selected for each patient. Appropriate use and fabrication of occlusal appliances will be discussed. Indications for dental therapy in the overall management of TM disorders and the role of the dental specialists will be presented in detail. This course will benefit all practitioners.

Attention: Pediatric Dental Residents Associateship opportunity in solo practice Tallahassee, Florida

I have been in private practice in Tallahassee since 1978, and own a 4,000 square foot specialty office between the two hospitals. I am sixty two years old and have three daughters presently in college. Therefore, I would like to continue practicing, but over the next several years phase out the practice to a young energetic individual.

Prior to coming to Tallahassee in 1978, I was on active duty with the US Navy, practicing pediatric dentistry in Naples, Italy (1973-76) and in Beaufort, South Carolina (1976-78). My formal education was at Emory College of Emory University (1964-67), Emory University School of Dentistry (1967-71), and residency in pediatric dentistry at Emory University School of Dentistry (1971-73). I have been married for 37 years, my wife a graduate of Emory University School of Nursing with B.S.N. and M.N. degrees. She teaches at the FSU College of Nursing.

Tallahassee is in the north Florida panhandle, with an estimated population in 2007 of 160,000. There are two major universities here—Florida State University (Seminoles) and Florida A&M University (Rattlers). The city also has the two-year Tallahassee Community College. The state Capital is Tallahassee. A more detailed examination of our city can be viewed with a Google search.

If this presentation has any appeal to a resident's lifestyle of practicing pediatric dentistry or day-to-day living, please respond. I welcome their e-mail communication, USPO letters, or phone calls (preferably at night).

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Please mark your calendar with these events and dates:

Annual Meetings:

2009

Friday September 4th - Monday September 7th
The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia

2010

Friday September 3rd - Monday September 6th
The Ballantyne Resort & Spa, Charlotte, North Carolina

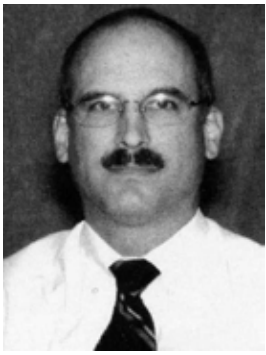
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Continuing Education Courses:

2009

Friday Jan 9th - Sunday Jan 11th
"Pain Seminar"

Dr. Henry Gremillion & Dr. Jeff Okeson
Ritz-Carlton Buckhead, Atlanta, Georgia



District III Trustee Report

Dr. Edward Moody

Having just attended the Winter AAPD Board Meeting followed immediately by the Planning Session with our Council and Committee chairs, here are a few of the highlights of current AAPD activities taking place on the district and national level. Of particular note is the work being done to date on the recently announced collaboration between the AAPD and the Office of Head Start.

New HQ Staff

Jan Connelly has joined the HQ office as the Head Start Dental Home Project Manager. Details about the Head Start Dental Home Project are included elsewhere in this report.

Mary Essling has joined the AAPD as Dental Benefits Manager. This is a new service for the membership to assist with issues related to third-party reimbursement and coding. She is our in-house resource for questions regarding dental and medical coding, effective utilization of dental insurance, and is available to provide technical assistance to help resolve any difficulties a practice may be having with claims submitted to dental or medical plans. She has also begun research and planning for development of the AAPD's own "Guide to Pediatric Dental Coding" which should be released in early 2009.

Pulp Therapy Symposium

The Joint Symposium on Pulp Therapy was held in November in conjunction with the American Association of Endodontists. The Symposium was very well attended (sold-out) and reviews from all sources have been extremely positive. Look for the reports and findings to appear in the May-June issue of Pediatric Dentistry.

Membership Totals

Total AAPD membership continues to grow, particularly the Affiliate membership category, and is now almost 7250. Nearly 4400 of the total represents Active members in the US and our retention rate for Active membership renewal has been around 97% for the past three years.

Membership Directories and Annual Meeting Registration Materials

Membership directories and registration materials for this year's Annual Session in Washington, DC (May 22-26) were mailed in January. If you have not received your directory or registration materials yet, please contact the HQ office.

AAPD Congressional Lobby Day

The annual AAPD Congressional Lobby Day in Washington has been scheduled for Wednesday, May 21, immediately prior to our 61st Annual Session. The sign-up deadline to participate has already passed and presently over 150 of our members will be spending the day on Capitol Hill meeting with our Federal legislators to discuss children's oral health issues.

Advocacy Training Course

In January, the AAPD presented its second state/district level "mini" legislative workshop for the SSPD in Atlanta. Although attendance was considerably less than anticipated (based on past expressions of interest), those who did manage to attend received up-to-date information on current AAPD legislative priorities and an introductory course on how to become an effective advocate, followed by the opportunity to participate in mock legislative visits.

Head Start Dental Home Initiative

The AAPD and the Office of Head Start have recently signed a contract for a 5 year, \$10 million partnership to provide dental care/dental homes for Head Start and Early Head Start children at the national, regional, state, and local level. Under Project Manager Jan Connelly and Project Director Jim Crall, a national network of pediatric and general dentists will be created to provide dental homes for these children, train teams of dentists and Head Start personnel in optimal health care practices, and assist Head Start programs in obtaining comprehensive services to meet the full range of Head Start children's oral health needs.

AAPD Trustee Report continued.....

Regional consultants will assist state leadership teams in developing collaborative networks throughout each state and local networks will consist of local dentists and Head Start personnel as well as other community leaders who will work together to identify strategies to overcome any barriers to Head Start children's access to dental homes. Pilot networks are scheduled for development in 6 states (the exact states have not yet been identified) in the first year, with the other 44 states to be added over the remaining 4 years.

Regional coordinators for states belonging to the SSPD are:

Reneida Reyes, Head Start Region 2 - includes Puerto Rico

Harold Goodman, Head Start Region 3 - includes Virginia and West Virginia

Nick Mosca, Head Start Region 4 - includes Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee

A joint AAPD-Office of Head Start press conference has been scheduled for late February in Washington to officially announce the project kickoff.

Legislative Issues

Due in large measure to the continuing efforts of our Congressional Liaison, our PAC, and many of our members who participate in various advocacy activities, Congress has continued to recognize the acute national shortage of pediatric dentists by again providing directed funding of \$5 million for the Title VII Pediatric Dentistry Residency Training Grant Program. This is the same funding provided in the previous year and was the AAPD's top appropriations priority. Fourteen pediatric dental residency programs received over \$5.2 million in grants to provide three year seed funding to address the shortage of pediatric dentists. These funds are for startup or expansion of pediatric dentistry residency training programs with the underlying goal of increasing the pediatric dentistry workforce.

And finally, since my term ends in May, this represents my last report as District 3 Trustee. I appreciate the opportunity to have served as your representative for the past three years and am truly grateful for your support, feedback, and suggestions. I extend my personal congratulations to my successor, Tom Ison (KY), knowing that he will do an outstanding job and wish him well as he assumes his new position.



News from the States

Alabama:

John B. Thornton, DMD., M.A., University of Alabama School of Dentistry associate dean and professor in the Department of Pediatric Dentistry, will be inducted into the Alabama Healthcare Hall of Fame on Saturday, March 29, 2008 at an induction ceremony in Montgomery. The Healthcare Hall of Fame recognized those persons, living or deceased, who have made outstanding contributions to or rendered exemplary service for healthcare in the state of Alabama.

North Carolina:

Meetings at Friday Center in Chapel Hill March 28, 2008. The Dental Team versus the Reluctant Dragon with Marvin Berman. www.dent.unc.edu/ce.edu

October 3, 2008. "Incorporating an Infant and Early Childhood Dental Program into Practice: Why, Who and How."

The Last Word

By

Howard S. Schneider, Editor



The Officers and members of the Board of Directors of the SSPD should be complimented on the success of the second annual post-doctorial program at our annual CE course in Atlanta, GA, this past January. A representative from each of the 13 programs in District III of the AAPD were invited to participate. A student was chosen by each program to participate in a series of events where they were able to make connections, discuss individual programs and see how they can become involved in organized dentistry early in their careers. The SSPD provided housing and transportation for the representative of each program. They also had the opportunity to present ideas, questions, and concerns to the Officers and Board of Directors.

They enjoyed lunch with the Officers in addition to a business dinner where they could meet as a group. The student representative were part of a record number of 36 post-doctorial residents attending the annual CE course. All the students enjoyed an informal reception on Saturday evening where they had an opportunity to meet the other students and SSPD members. Are you not surprised! As always, SSPD stands on the *cutting edge*. After all, the future of our society comes from our students. That is one man's opinion, and, ***THAT IS THE LAST WORD.***

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